

## SENATE BILL No. 17

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 33-33-32.

**Synopsis:** Hendricks superior courts. Establishes two additional superior courts in Hendricks County on January 1, 2007. Allows the judges of the existing Hendricks superior courts to jointly appoint one full-time magistrate to serve the courts until January 1, 2007. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on courts. Hendricks County is ranked fourth by severity of need in the 2003 Weighted Caseload Statistical Report.)

**Effective:** July 1, 2005.

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January 4, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 33-33-32-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 2. (a) There are  
3 established ~~three (3)~~ **five (5)** superior courts of record to be known as:

4 (1) Hendricks superior court No. 1;

5 (2) Hendricks superior court No. 2; ~~and~~

6 (3) Hendricks superior court No. 3;

7 (4) **Hendricks superior court No. 4; and**

8 (5) **Hendricks superior court No. 5.**

9 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, each Hendricks  
10 superior court is a standard superior court as described in IC 33-29-1.

11 (c) Hendricks County comprises the judicial district of each court.

12 SECTION 2. IC 33-33-32-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
13 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 5. (a) Change of venue  
14 from the judge or from the county may be had under the same terms,  
15 conditions, and procedure applicable to changes of venue from the  
16 judge or the county in circuit courts.

17 (b) If a cause is received by the clerk of the Hendricks circuit court



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on change of venue from another county, the cause shall be docketed on a rotating basis and assigned alternately to the:

- (1) Hendricks circuit court;
- (2) Hendricks superior court No. 1;
- (3) Hendricks superior court No. 2; ~~and~~
- (4) Hendricks superior court No. 3;
- (5) **Hendricks superior court No. 4; and**
- (6) **Hendricks superior court No. 5;**

unless otherwise provided in the order or entry made in ~~such~~ the cause in the county from which ~~such~~ the change of venue was taken, in which case it shall be docketed as provided in the entry or order.

SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] (a) **Notwithstanding IC 33-33-32-2 and IC 33-33-32-5, both as amended by this act, the:**

- (1) Hendricks superior court No. 4; and
- (2) Hendricks superior court No. 5;

**as added by this act, are not established until January 1, 2007.**

(b) The initial election of the judges of the:

- (1) Hendricks superior court No. 4; and
- (2) Hendricks superior court No. 5;

**added by IC 33-33-32-2, as amended by this act, is the general election on November 7, 2006. The terms of the two (2) judges initially elected under this subsection begin January 1, 2007.**

(c) **This SECTION expires January 2, 2007.**

SECTION 4. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] (a) The judges of the:

- (1) Hendricks superior court No. 1;
- (2) Hendricks superior court No. 2; and
- (3) Hendricks superior court No. 3;

**may jointly appoint one (1) full-time magistrate under IC 33-23-5 to serve the superior courts.**

(b) A magistrate appointed under this SECTION continues in office until:

- (1) removed by the judges of the superior court; or
- (2) January 1, 2007;

**whichever occurs first.**

(c) **This SECTION expires January 2, 2007.**

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